



Riverside & Beachie Creek Fires Update – Thursday October 8, 2020

Riverside Fire Quick Facts

Approx. Size: 138,054 ac.
Containment: 57%
Total Personnel: 320
Start Date: Sept. 8, 2020
Cause: Human



Beachie Creek Fire Quick Facts

Approx. Size: 193,613 ac.
Containment: 62%
Total Personnel: 217
Start Date: August 16, 2020
Cause: Under Investigation



Northwest Team 8 has taken command of the Riverside and Beachie Creek incidents as of 6 pm yesterday.

Weather and Fire Behavior: Cloudy and cooler temperatures are expected today through Friday, providing increased overnight humidity levels over the fire area.

Riverside Fire: Yesterday there were no 911 calls for smoke from the community. Crews operating handheld infrared cameras continue scanning the fire perimeter and extinguishing areas of heat. Firefighters and heavy equipment continued securing edges and engaging in suppression repair efforts. Additionally, firefighters were able to assist a member of the public yesterday with a non-emergency medical incident within the fire closure area. The entire south half of the Mt. Hood National Forest remains closed to public access. Find a description and map of the closure at: www.fs.usda.gov/detail/mthood/news-events/?cid=FSEPRD811247.

Beachie Creek Fire: Aircraft reconnaissance missions of the fire area will continue, as visibility and weather permits. Fire growth around Dead Horse Mountain and the Bull of the Woods Wilderness was low yesterday, and incoming moisture is expected to keep fire activity minimal. Firefighters continue to extinguish areas of heat along Highway 22, receiving four 911 reports for smoke yesterday from the community. Suppression repair work is ongoing around the fire edge with heavy equipment repairing dozer line and hand crews focusing on handlines.

Evacuations: There are no evacuations in Clackamas County. Current evacuation information for Marion County is available at www.co.marion.or.us/Alerts?AlertId=83 or by calling 503-588-5032. Evacuation information for Linn County is available at www.linnsheriff.org/fire_live_updates_sept_2020/ or by calling 541-812-2260.

Closures: The Willamette National Forest lifted restrictions on campfires. The Sept. 25 closure order is still in effect, a list of recreation areas within the fire zone that remain closed can be found at <https://go.usa.gov/xGpeV>

- Mt. Hood National Forest www.fs.usda.gov/detail/mthood/news-events/?cid=FSEPRD811247
- Willamette National Forest www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/willamette/alerts-notices/?aid=61574
- Bureau of Land Management www.blm.gov/programs/public-safety-and-fire/fire-and-aviation/regional-info/oregon-washington/fire-restrictions.
- Oregon Department of Forestry <https://www.oregon.gov/odf/fire/pages/restrictions.aspx>
- Road Closures on TripCheck: www.tripcheck.com/
- Santiam State Forest is closed

Burned Area Emergency Response: The BAER program is designed to address emergency stabilization issues related to wildland fire. The program is utilized by all federal land management agencies. BAER teams are in place for both the Riverside and Beachie Creek fires.

More information can be found at <https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/7222/>

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Beachie Creek Fire Public Information:

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Riverside & Beachie Creek Fires Update – Friday October 9, 2020

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Containment: 57%
Total Personnel: 248
Start Date: Sept. 8, 2020
Cause: Human



Beachie Creek Fire Quick Facts

Approx. Size: 193,613 ac.
Containment: 62%
Total Personnel: 225
Start Date: August 16, 2020
Cause: Under Investigation



Weather and Fire Behavior: Cloudy conditions and cooler temperatures continue for Friday as a cold front moves into the area, bringing gusty winds in the late afternoon. Rain is forecasted to begin Saturday and continue through the weekend.

Riverside Fire: Two 911 calls were received for smoke from the community. Firefighter resources responded. Firefighters are focusing their efforts on mop-up, perimeter patrol and line repair. With management approval, Portland General Electric and Oregon Department of Transportation will be flying drones to assess damages throughout the day. The forecasted weather system could bring an increase in hazards within the fire area, so providing for public and firefighter safety is paramount.

Beachie Creek Fire: Fire growth was limited within a concentrated area of heat within the Bull of the Woods Wilderness and fire behavior is expected to remain minimal with the incoming weather. Firefighters will continue to monitor and patrol the fire perimeter for hot spots. Falling trees and landslides are the greatest safety concerns moving into the weekend for both firefighters and the public.

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- Road Closures on TripCheck: www.tripcheck.com/
- Santiam State Forest is closed

Repair and Rehabilitation Teams: The Bureau of Land Management Emergency Stabilization and Rehabilitation (ESR) teams and the US Forest Service BAER teams are evaluating the fire areas and preparing a repair plan. These programs are designed to address emergency stabilization issues related to wildland fire. ESR and BAER teams are in place for both the Riverside and Beachie Creek fires.

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Total Personnel: 217
Start Date: Sept. 8, 2020
Cause: Human



Beachie Creek Fire Quick Facts

Approx. Size: 193,556 ac.
Containment: 71%
Total Personnel: 236
Start Date: August 16, 2020
Cause: Under Investigation



General Information: Rain and breezy conditions are expected through the weekend which could produce up to 1.5 inches of rain by Saturday evening, with an additional inch anticipated by early Monday morning. An inch of rain has already been recorded in the Willamette Valley. Ridgetops and drainages within the fire area could see wind gusts of up to 25 mph. This active system may even produce snow for elevations as low as 5,000 ft. With high amounts of rain expected in conjunction with gusty winds, firefighters continue to be diligent around fire-weakened trees. Slick roads and soil erosion could also present additional hazards for fire personnel and the public. The incoming weather system will likely keep aircraft grounded over the weekend, as helicopters are unable to fly in cloudy and windy conditions.

Riverside Fire: Firefighters are completing fire suppression repair work within the fire area while still patrolling the line for hot spots. Portland General Electric continued working to repair destroyed power lines.

Beachie Creek Fire: Firefighters responded to four more 911 calls for smoke yesterday. Aircraft flew over the area of concentrated heat within the Bull of the Woods Wilderness and reported no significant fire growth.

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Beachie Creek Fire continues to burn in the Opal Creek Wilderness

Detroit, OR August 18, 2019 – A Type 3 Incident Management team took control of the Beachie Creek Fire yesterday evening. The fire is located in rugged and steep terrain in the Opal Creek wilderness, approximately 2 miles south of Jawbone Flats and 6 miles north of Detroit. The fire is estimated at 10 acres and it is 0% contained.

“As we develop a plan to fight this fire over the next few days, keeping our firefighters and community safe is our top priority,” said Type 3 Incident Commander Jonah Gladney. “This fire is in a remote location, but we are operating with a full suppression strategy.”

There are no roads in the area of the fire, so personnel are currently assessing ground access points. One hotshot crew of 24 firefighters and a team of rappellers have arrived and several more crews are on order. A large Type 1 helicopter is supporting the fire from the air with water drops.

A number of trails, roads, day-use sites and campgrounds are closed. Included in the closure are the popular sites of Opal Creek, Three Pools, Shady Cove campground and Elk Lake campground. Fire growth was limited on the fire yesterday, however, anticipated hotter and drier conditions may lead to fire growth.

“The closure seems large, but the fire is in a tough spot,” said Agency Administrator Dave Warnack. “There is limited road access and these areas see a lot of visitation which makes moving firefighters and equipment challenging. We ask for patience as firefighters work to get these places open as soon as possible.”

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Another crew of firefighters is expected to arrive today. Firefighters are camping out in the Opal Creek area so they can be close to the fire while allowing for social distancing recommendations.

Cooler temperatures and higher relative humidity are expected over the fire for the next few days. Closure order number 06-18-04-20-13 is now in effect. Included in the closure are the popular sites of Opal Creek, Three Pools, Shady Cove and Elk Lake campgrounds.

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Type 2 Incident Management Team to manage Beachie Creek Fire on the Willamette National Forest

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“Our Type 3 IMT did an outstanding job forecasting the fire behavior and based on the weather conditions, they determined the need to bring in the assistance of a Type 2 team. “ said Willamette National Forest Supervisor Dave Warnack. “An additional safety concern for the firefighters is keeping them healthy. COVID is being taken into consideration as we prepare for the arrival of additional resources. We would ask the public’s cooperation and keep social distance if they see the fire fighters, they will understand.”

The Beachie Creek Fire was originally located on Aug. 16, 2020, and initial attack began immediately using Type 1 helicopters and water drops. Two heavy helicopters continued work to slow fire spread, and air attack was used to coordinate efforts and gain information on the fire's behavior. Aviation resources continue to drop buckets of water on the fire and continue to check fire spread.

The Type 2 team will begin managing the fire on September 5, 2020, at 6:00 a.m. evaluating and developing a more effective fire management model for complex fires.

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Beachie Creek Fire Update

Tuesday, August 25, 2020

Date Detected: August 16, 2020, 11:18 a.m.	Location: Opal Creek Wilderness, Willamette National Forest, 6 mi. north of Detroit, OR
Size: 10 acres (no increase)	Suppression Strategy: full suppression
Containment: 0 percent	Cause: unknown
Resources: 1 20-person crew, 1 helicopter, 1 road grader, 1 chipper, 54 total personnel	

Current Situation:

The type 3 incident management team transferred command of the fire to a type 1 NIMO team (National Incident Management Organization) Sunday evening. The NIMO team's seven members are USDA Forest Service employees. They specialize in both implementing immediate fire suppression strategies and creating long-term plans for complex or potentially complex incidents. They also mentor and train less experienced fire personnel.

While the Willamette National Forest has an expressed goal of fully suppressing the Beachie Creek Fire, which is holding at 10 acres, ground crews are unable to safely use a direct fire-suppression approach. Instead, they have been taking indirect action, such as clearing and chipping vegetation along roads that are accessible and could act as a barrier to fire spread. The NIMO team is working with local forest personnel to develop and plan for potential—albeit unlikely—"what-if" scenarios while simultaneously focusing on how to safely extinguish the fire. One type 2 helicopter is assigned to the incident and continues to drop water on the fire's small, isolated spots of smoke that are detected during daily reconnaissance flights.

Weather and Fire Behavior:

Recent weather has not been conducive to active fire behavior, so the fire continues to creep slowly along the ground. Most of the fire activity consists of smoldering in the duff layer, which is up to six feet deep. The duff is retaining some heat, causing the fire to generate occasionally visible smoke. Fire observers on Monday's daily reconnaissance flight reported no visible flames. Fire activity is expected to remain minimal today with predicted weather conditions.

Closures:

Effective August 19, Willamette National Forest roads, trails, and lands around the fire area are temporarily closed. View the official order ([Order # 06-18-04-20-13](#)) or go to InciWeb (link below) for a list and map of the closed, roads, trails, and recreation sites.



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Temporary Flight Restriction (TFR):

Airspace over the Beachie Creek Fire area is restricted. Unmanned aircraft systems, or drones, are not allowed within the [TFR](#). Remember: [If you fly, we can't](#).

Fire Restrictions:

As of August 10, fire restrictions are in effect on the Willamette National Forest. For example, campfires, charcoal grills, and outdoor smoking are not allowed in most situations. Campfires are allowed in campfire rings at some designated campgrounds and wilderness areas. For a complete list of what is [allowed](#) and [not allowed](#), visit the forest's fire webpage: fs.usda.gov/main/willamette/fire. If you have a campfire at an approved location, never leave it unattended. Thoroughly extinguish it by pouring water on it, stirring it, and feeling it with your hand to ensure that it is out cold.

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Beachie Creek Fire Update

Wednesday, August 26, 2020

Size: 10 acres (no increase)	Location: Opal Creek Wilderness, Willamette National Forest, 6 mi. north of Detroit, OR
Containment: 0 percent	Suppression Strategy: full suppression
Date Detected: August 16, 2020, 11:18 a.m.	Cause: unknown
Resources: 1 20-person crew, 1 helicopter, 1 road grader, 1 water tender, 54 total personnel	

Current Situation:

At the planning meeting for today's operational shift, NIMO Incident Commander Mike Quesinberry encouraged fire and agency personnel to "keep your neighbors and firefighters to the north in your thoughts as they cope with the helicopter accident." On Monday, August 24, the pilot of a type 1 K-MAX helicopter conducting bucket drops on the White River Fire in the Mt. Hood National Forest was killed in a helicopter accident. While risk cannot be eliminated, it can be reduced; forest leadership, partners, and the NIMO team are seeking to minimize risk while operating under a full-suppression strategy for this fire. NIMO team members will present contingency scenarios and response plans to Willamette National Forest leadership today.

When highly experienced firefighters initially assessed the fire and access to it, they identified several hazards and safety concerns. Safety of firefighters and the public is the priority and has guided suppression and planning decisions from the moment the fire was detected.

On Tuesday, firefighters completed the roadside chipping operation. The type 2 helicopter assigned to the incident flew over the fire area, but bucket drops were deemed unnecessary based on the lack of fire activity. Today, crews will be working on National Forest System lands adjacent to Jawbone Flats. They will identify and possibly fell snags and hazard trees to make it safer for landowners to travel to and from their properties. Elsewhere, firefighters will clear some roadside brush so engines, crews, and equipment could quickly move should fire activity significantly increase.

Weather and Fire Behavior:

Relative humidity levels and moderate temperatures are contributing to the minimal fire behavior observed during daily reconnaissance flights. Fire activity consists primarily of smoldering in the deep organic duff layer, which can produce pockets of visible smoke. The fire is not actively spreading or getting up into the tree crowns. Fire activity is expected to be minimal again today.



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Beachie Creek Fire Update

Thursday, August 27, 2020

Size: 10 acres (no increase)	Location: Opal Creek Wilderness, Willamette National Forest, 6 mi. north of Detroit, OR
Containment: 0 percent	Suppression Strategy: full suppression
Date Detected: August 16, 2020, 11:18 a.m.	Cause: unknown
Resources: 2 20-person crews, 1 helicopter, 1 road grader, 1 water tender, 54 total personnel	

Current Situation: Today firefighters on the local McKenzie Crew will assess Forest Roads 2207 and 2209 and identify areas where future brushing and clearing could allow the roads to serve as containment lines. Members of the local Santiam Crew will be brushing along the 3349 and 3341 trails to allow access for firefighters involved in installing a camera. An observation point with downcanyon views of the fire area was identified, and a camera will be installed there to assist firefighters with monitoring fire behavior.

Weather and Fire Behavior: Seasonable weather conditions are likely to continue through the weekend, with temperatures near to slightly above normal. North to northwest winds will be breezy each afternoon and evening. No precipitation is expected. Lookouts reported minimal fire activity Wednesday. The fire is creeping and smoldering, producing some smoke but no visible flames. Fire activity is expected to be minimal again today.

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Beachie Creek Fire Update

Friday, August 28, 2020

Size: 10 acres (no increase)	Location: Opal Creek Wilderness, Willamette National Forest, 6 mi. north of Detroit, OR
Containment: 0 percent	Suppression Strategy: full suppression
Date Detected: August 16, 2020, 11:18 a.m.	Cause: unknown
Resources: 2 20-person crews, 1 helicopter, 1 road grader, 1 water tender, 54 total personnel	

Current Situation:

Thursday, the Santiam River Crew, from the Detroit Ranger District, cleared the French Creek and Beachie trails so that crew members can access the Whetstone Mountain Trail and install a remote camera this weekend. The location provides an unobstructed downcanyon view of the fire. A solar-powered battery will keep the camera operating continuously, giving firefighters an early-warning system for monitoring fire activity. Firefighters on the McKenzie Crew will continue to assess Forest Roads 2207 and 2209 and identify areas where future brushing and clearing could allow the roads to serve as containment lines should the fire reach this area.

Despite minimal fire activity and no significant growth, the fire remains 0 percent contained because firefighters have not constructed a physical fireline, a barrier to fire spread, directly around the 10-acre fire. Constructing direct fireline is not a safe fire-suppression tactic in this situation. Firefighters were able to access the fire initially, but it took them 4 hours to hike about 1.5 miles. The area is extremely steep, the vegetation is dense, and dead and down trees are stacked up to 6 feet high in places. The likelihood of this fire becoming suddenly active and spreading quickly is low, but there is *potential*, and the consequences could be extreme in a landscape where leaving the area quickly would be impossible. Forest Supervisor Dave Warnack told firefighters at the operational planning meeting Thursday night, "We've had an excellent safety record, and I want that to hold for the duration of the incident."

Weather and Fire Behavior:

Seasonable weather conditions are likely to continue through the weekend. Today will be slightly warmer than recent days, with temperatures nearing 90 degrees. Northwest winds will be breezy this afternoon and evening. No precipitation is expected.

Two fire specialists joined the incident management team Thursday: a strategic operational planner and a long-term fire analyst. They both specialize in providing probabilistic information on long-term fire advancement, behavior, spread, and direction. They develop courses of action for long-term wildfires. Their models and analyses are based on local information, topography, historic and current fire spread, and historic and current fire-weather data. They are working



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with the NIMO team managing the fire to provide the Willamette National Forest with a plan to implement should weather conditions change and the fire become active. The two specialists took a reconnaissance flight Thursday to gather information and awareness that will assist them in their analysis. They observed only two small areas of smoke. Fire activity is expected to be minimal again today.

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Visit: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/main/willamette/fire> to view a full list of public use restrictions and campgrounds on the Willamette National Forest where visitors are permitted to have fires. Follow us @WillametteNF on Facebook and Twitter for the latest updates.

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Beachie Creek Fire Update

Saturday, August 29, 2020

Size: 23 acres (13-acre increase due to improved mapping data)	Location: Opal Creek Wilderness, Willamette National Forest, 6 mi. north of Detroit, OR
Containment: 0 percent	Suppression Strategy: full suppression
Date Detected: August 16, 2020, 11:18 a.m.	Cause: unknown
Resources: 2 crews, 1 helicopter, 1 road grader, 1 water tender, 1 backhoe, 66 total personnel	

Current Situation: The fire was mapped Thursday night using infrared technology for the first time, giving fire managers and planners a more accurate size estimate and fire perimeter. The increase in acreage reported today is the result of precise data being available, not fire growth. Observers on daily reconnaissance flights continue to report minimal fire activity, patchy smoke, and no open flames. Today, the McKenzie and Santiam River crews will continue assessing, brushing, and cleaning up forest roads and trails that will either provide access or serve as containment lines should the fire reach those areas.

Weather and Fire Behavior: Saturday will be dry with no chance of precipitation. Northwest winds will be breezy, and gusts up 20 mph are possible. Fire behavior is expected to be minimal, however, as seasonal temperatures in the mid-70s and relative humidity in the 35- to 40-percent range persist. Smoky conditions today are due to wildfires in central Oregon and northern California, not the Beachie Creek Fire.

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Beachie Creek Fire Update

Sunday, August 30, 2020

Size: 23 acres (no increase)	Location: Opal Creek Wilderness, Willamette National Forest, 6 mi. north of Detroit, OR
Containment: 0 percent	Suppression Strategy: full suppression
Date Detected: August 16, 2020, 11:18 a.m.	Cause: unknown
Resources: 1 crew, 1 helicopter, 1 road grader, 1 water tender, 1 backhoe, 53 total personnel	

Current Situation: Saturday evening, the McKenzie Crew was reassigned to assist Oregon Department of Forestry (ODF) with a new fire—Green Peter Peninsula Fire—on the Sweet Home Unit. Today, Santiam River Crew will fell snags and clearing brush along Forest Roads 2207 and 2207-225.

During a meeting with Forest Service and ODF leadership Saturday, the NIMO team presented its final recommendations of suppression actions and communication strategies to implement should conditions change and fire activity increase to varying degrees. The Forest Service and ODF reviewed the plan and agreed that the incident will be managed by the local unit under the leadership of Type 3 Incident Commander Brandon Coville. Transfer of command of the fire will officially happen at 6 p.m. today. Information about fire behavior and suppression activity will continue to be available daily through written updates published on InciWeb and social media (links below).

Weather and Fire Behavior:

Sunday will be dry with no chance of precipitation. Northwest winds will be breezy; gusts up 15 mph are possible. Fire behavior is expected to be minimal again today, however, with seasonal temperatures in the 70s and a minimum relative humidity around 25 percent. Smoke drifting over the area is from wildfires in central Oregon and northern California, not the Beachie Creek Fire.

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PIO Map

Beachie Creek
ORWIF-200299
09/05/2020 24hr

436 acres at 09/05/20 @ 2000

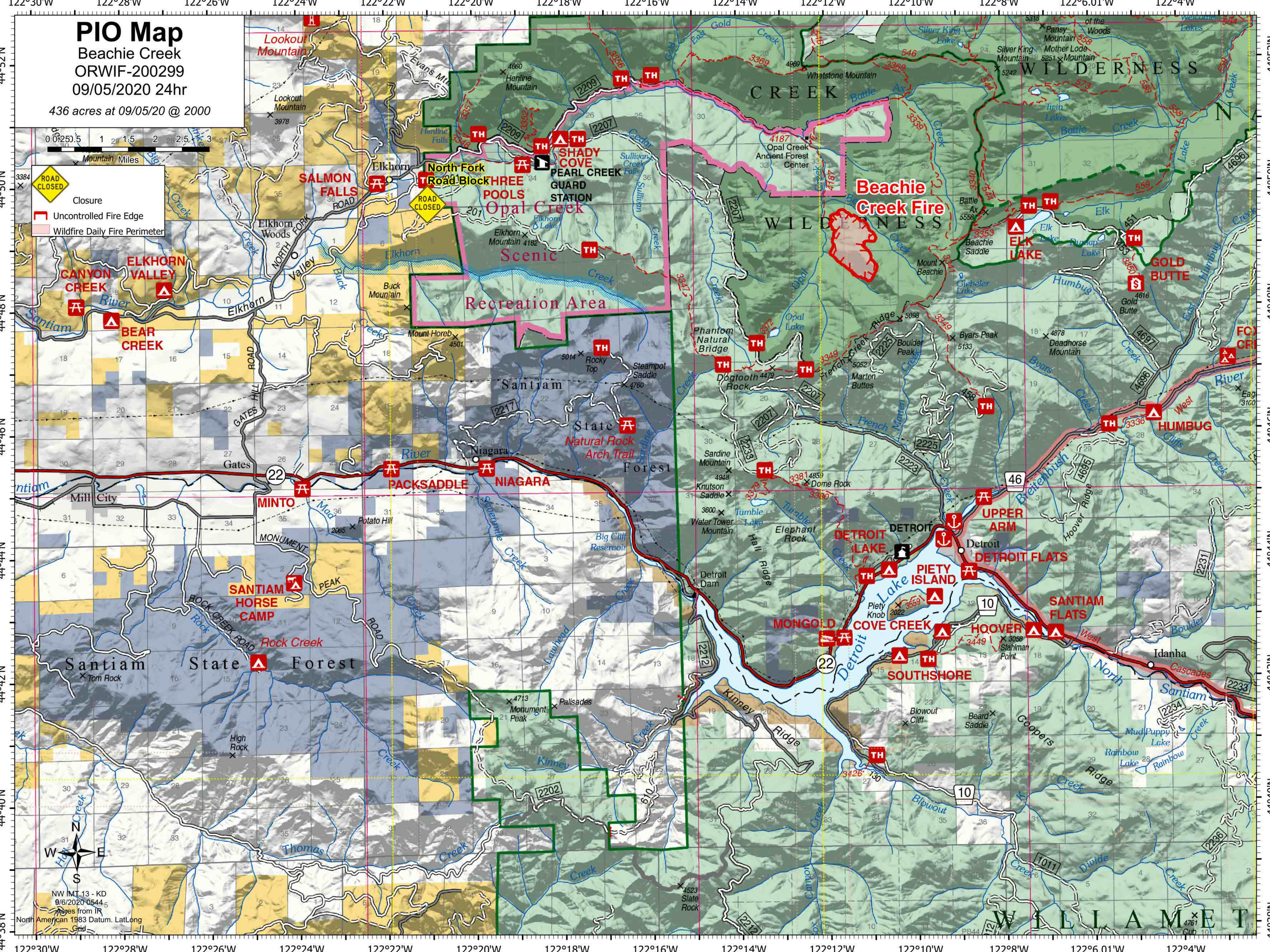
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Acres from IR
North American 1983 Datum, LatLong



Brian Gales, Incident Commander

Lonnie Click, Deputy IC

Start date: Aug, 16, 2020	Location: Opal Creek wilderness, 6 mi North of Detroit OR	Cause: Unknown
Fire size: 379 Acres	1 Type 1 and 1 Type 2 Helicopter	Total personnel: 54

Beachie Creek Fire update for Saturday September 5, 2020

Gates, Ore. – Fire management personnel are preparing approximately 20 structures for protection in Jawbone Flats. Aviation resources are being used to slow the progression of the head of the fire in order to provide further protection for local communities.

Firefighters are also assessing French Creek Ridge for strategic actions using aviation and ground resources to moderate the fire movement to the south and southeast. Ground resources are also engaged in the Cedar Creek drainage to manage fire advancement to the west.

Yesterday morning smoke had settled above the fire creating a cap slowing fire spread. The cap lifted and by 2:00 p.m. smoke was once again affecting areas of Detroit, Jawbone Flats and communities in the Little North Fork and Elkhorn Valley. Smoke from the [Lionshead](#) and [P-515](#) fires on the Warm Springs Reservation may continue to linger.

WEATHER:

High pressure remains anchored over the region with warm temperatures and dry conditions expected through the weekend. Temperatures will be slightly cooler on Saturday.

SAFETY:

Highway 22 will be crowded with trucks, cars, trailers, and fire equipment. Keep your lights on, be aware of other drivers. Get to your destination safely and enjoy your holiday weekend.

RESTRICTIONS:

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CLOSURES:

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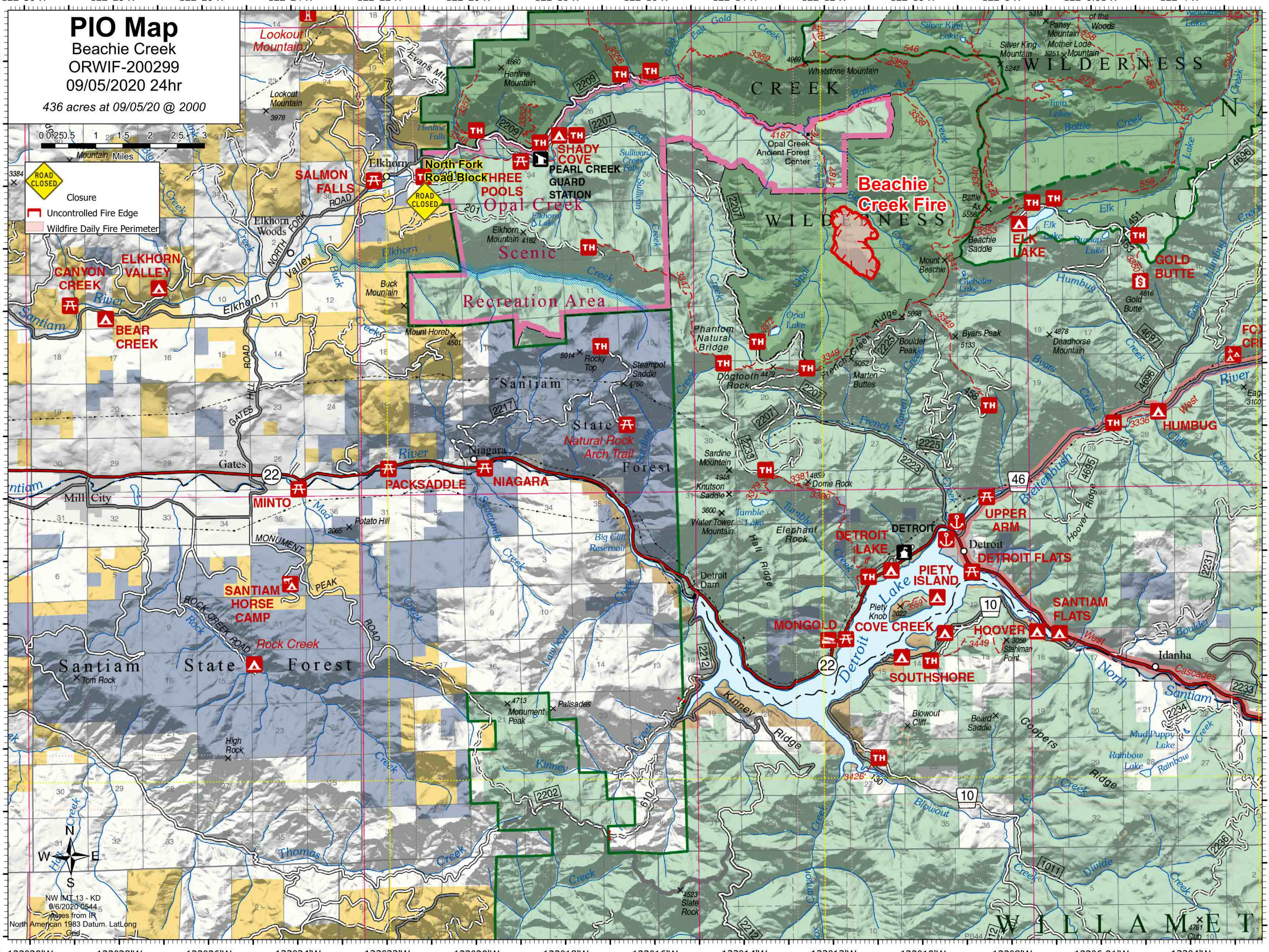
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Brian Gales, Incident Commander

Lonnie Click, Deputy IC

Start date: Aug, 16, 2020	Location: Opal Creek wilderness, 6 mi North of Detroit, OR	Cause: Unknown
Fire size: 425 Acres	Helicopters Assigned: 4	Total personnel: 153

Beachie Creek Fire Update for Sunday September 6, 2020

Gates, Ore. – Fire officials continue to be fully engaged with the Beachie Creek Fire, located within the Willamette National Forest, six miles north of the community of Detroit. The fire is currently confined to the Opal Creek Wilderness, and is burning in heavy timber on inaccessible, steep slopes.

Firefighting efforts today will be a continuation of keeping the fire in its current location utilizing aviation firefighting resources with water delivery. Indirect fire line opportunities are also being identified where possible. Forest roads will be improved for firefighter access and containment lines should the fire come out of its current location. This includes identifying hazardous trees for removal in anticipation of the upcoming wind event.

WEATHER: Critical fire weather conditions are expected to develop Monday and persist through Wednesday night. In addition, an unseasonably strong offshore flow event is expected to bring extremely dry and windy conditions to the area. A Fire Red Flag warning is also expected to be issued by the weather service for Monday afternoon through Wednesday evening.

SAFETY: The Marion County Sheriff's Office is asking the public to be aware of aerial firefighting aircraft, CL-415 scoopers that will be scooping water directly from Detroit Lake in support of firefighting efforts on the Beachie Creek Fire. The area of the lake south of Piety Island will be closed during daylight operational hours until further notice, starting today at 10 am. In addition, the following campgrounds will be impacted and will not be accessible by boat during these hours; Cove Creek Campground, Sportsman Campground and South Shore Campground. The closure will likely extend through the next two to three days. Marion County Sheriff's Office will have officers in boats patrolling the closed area.

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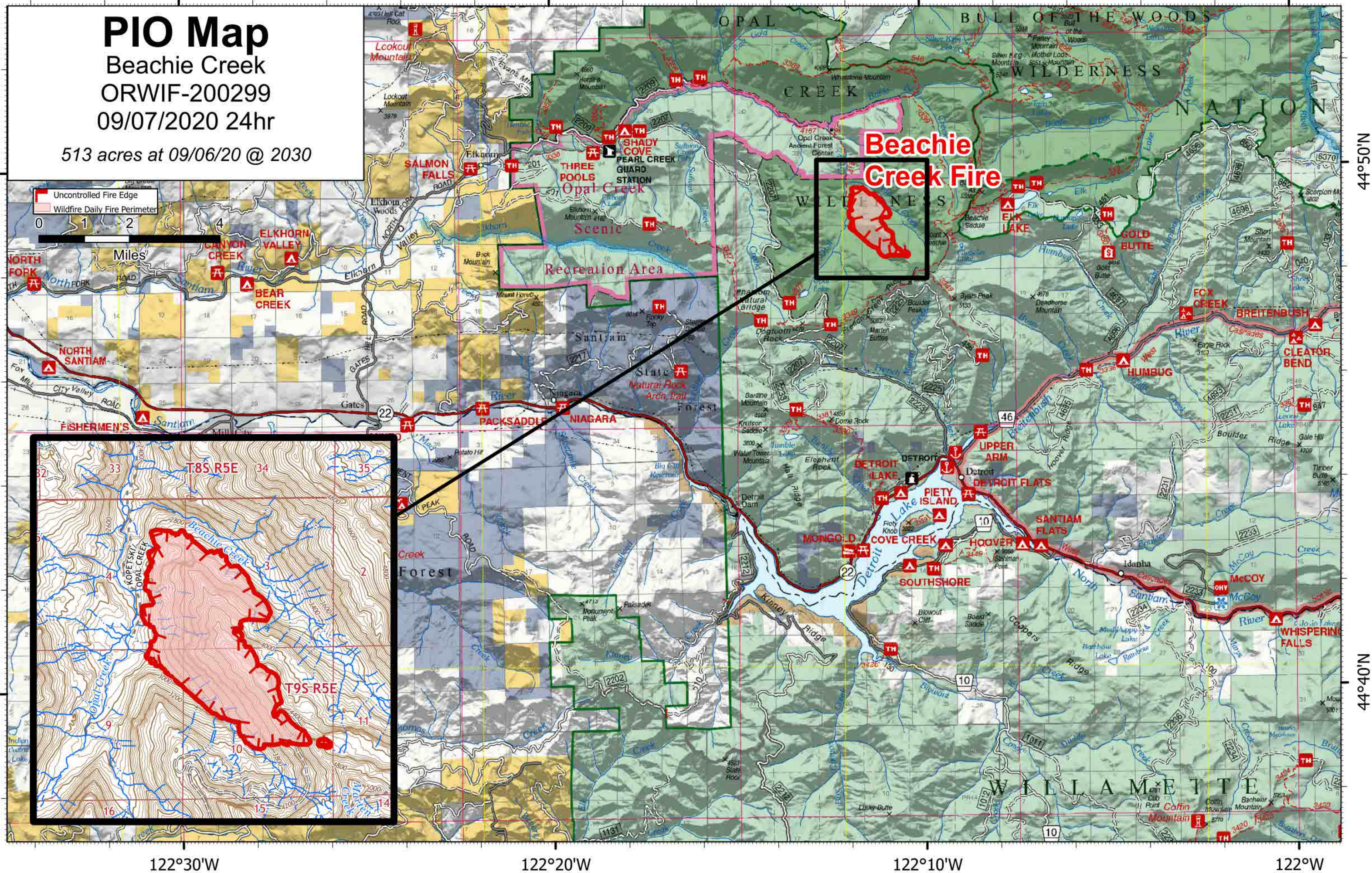
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09/07/2020 24hr

513 acres at 09/06/20 @ 2030

Uncontrolled Fire Edge
Wildfire Daily Fire Perimeter

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Brian Gales, Incident Commander

Lonnie Click, Deputy IC

Start date: Aug, 16, 2020	Location: Opal Creek wilderness, 6 mi North of Detroit, OR	Cause: Unknown
Fire size: 513 Acres	Helicopters Assigned: 4	Total personnel: 237

Beachie Creek Fire Update for Monday September 7, 2020

Gates, Ore. – Firefighters continue to work on removing brush and smaller diameter trees along roadways. This mitigation work is an important part of the containment plan to establish access to the fire and will act as a fuels break in the event the fire reaches those lines.

Fire activity is expected to increase today and Tuesday as a strong east wind is expected to enter the area and continue well into Tuesday bringing gusts in excess of 35 mph. Helicopters will continue to provide water drops to assist in fire suppression, as weather allows. Along with an increase in single and group tree torching, short runs may occur when the slope and wind align. Spot fires are likely to occur up to one half mile from the fire perimeter once east winds enter the area.

WEATHER: A Red Flag Warning for strong winds will be in effect from 11:00 a.m. Monday through 8:00 p.m. Wednesday. Wind gusts are likely to reach between 30-40 mph with 50-60 mph gusts likely on exposed ridges. The wind may ease Tuesday night and Wednesday. Fire conditions are expected to improve later in the week.

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Les Hallman, Incident Commander, OSFM

Start date: Aug, 16, 2020	Location: Opal Creek wilderness, 6 mi North of Detroit, OR	Cause: Unknown
Fire size: 159,000 Acres	Helicopters Assigned: 4	Total personnel: 310

Santiam Fire Update for Wednesday September 9, 2020

Keizer, Ore. – Wildland firefighters, working on the Beachie Creek Fire, were forced to evacuate their encampment in Gates, Ore. after several electrical lines and transformers were destroyed in an extreme wind event which began on Monday afternoon. Pacific Team Northwest 13 is currently headquartered at Chemeketa Community College in Salem.

Originally listed at 469 acres, the fire has grown overnight to over 131,000 acres driven by high winds and extremely dry fuels. Originally named the Beachie Creek fire, it has been renamed the Santiam Fire acknowledging that the Beachie Creek Fire no longer was the main cause of rapid fire growth and was instead fed by a series of small fires largely caused by downed power lines and other ignition sources throughout the area.

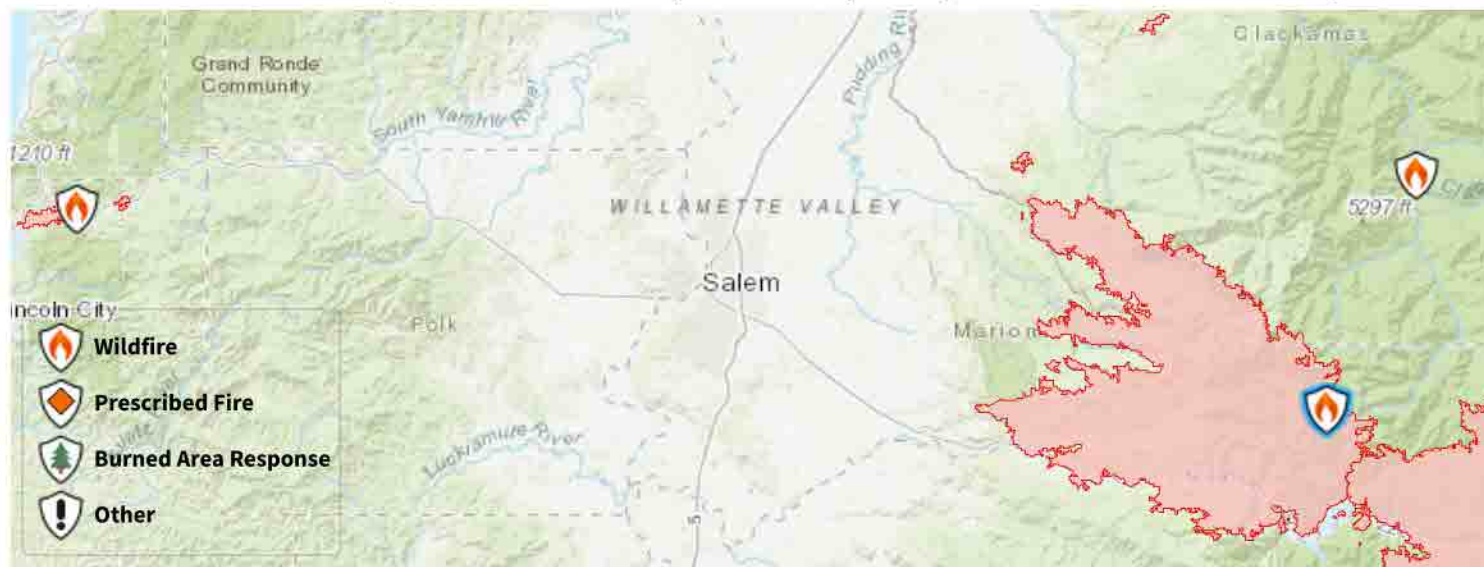
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SAFETY: Members of the public are encourage to heed local evacuation orders issued by the county sheriff's office and emergency notification systems. Any public trying to access the area are asked to stay away to keep roads clear for those evacuating and for emergency vehicles. The roads are extremely hazardous due to falling debris, smoke and heavy traffic. Members of the public in the immediate area are asked to keep the Ready, Set, Go levels of evacuation in mind. **READY** your belongings; **SET** your things at the door or prepack them in your car; **GO** Leave immediately.

SMOKE: Smoke is expected to remain heavy throughout the area for the next several days. Individuals with respiratory issues may find themselves affected by the intense smoke. Smoke levels are fluctuating between unhealthy for sensitive groups (orange) and hazardous (maroon) in these areas. Areas closest to fires - near Detroit, Florence, Chiloquin and Eugene - are having the worst smoke impacts. Smoke levels can change rapidly depending on weather. Check current conditions on DEQ's Air Quality Index or by downloading the free OregonAIR app on your smartphone.

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Your Safety Is Paramount: Continued Rapid Fire Growth Expected Sept. 8

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Your safety is paramount: Continued rapid fire growth expected

Springfield, OR, Sept. 8, 2020 – Continued rapid fire growth is expected tonight as the Red Flag Warning for low humidities and strong east winds remains in effect. The highest priority is your safety. Many towns in and around the western slopes of the Cascades near Forest lands remain under Level 3 - Go Evacuations being implemented by County Sheriff's Offices. Please be aware of notifications and advisories being issued by local authorities, and check back often for updates on fire activity and how it may potentially impact you. Opportunities for firefighters to make assessments of the status of current fires on the Willamette National Forest were limited today due to active fire behavior. Using sound risk management practices, firefighters will continue to conduct assessments and take suppression actions on fires where it is safe to do so. Based on the latest heat signatures, Beachie Creek Fire is now estimated to be over 100,000 acres in size, with 0% containment. Further growth along the fire's perimeter with east winds pushing the fire to the southwest is expected again tonight. The Incident Command Post for Northwest Incident Management Team 13 has been re-established in Salem.

As of noon today, the Holiday Farm Fire located along Oregon Route 126 had traveled from milepost 47, where it was first reported last night, to Vida Fire Station, an estimated distance of 20 miles. Observed fire behavior included twelve-foot flames and long range spotting up to a mile and a half away. The fire, which is 0% contained, is established on the ridgelines of both sides of the highway. An approximate size of the fire is not currently available. Presently, it is not safe to conduct thorough assessments of any damage the fire may have caused. The cause of the fire is under investigation.

The Warner Fire, which started last night on the Middle Fork Ranger District, is estimated to be five acres. The fire is located $\frac{3}{4}$ mile east of McCredie Day Use Area. Despite having the fire mostly lined, fire managers feel the influence of tonight's weather conditions on it could prove challenging. Moderate to heavy smoke impacts from the fires are expected to continue along the western slopes of the Cascades and into the Willamette Valley. Stay informed on air quality ratings and more by visiting the Oregon Smoke Blog at <http://oregonsmoke.blogspot.com/> (<http://oregonsmoke.blogspot.com/>). Learn how to stay safe from wildfire smoke at

<https://www.cdc.gov/air/wildfire-smoke/default.htm> (<https://www.cdc.gov/air/wildfire-smoke/default.htm>).

The Red Flag Warning for the persistence of critical fire weather on the heels of this historic September event with low humidity and east winds of 15 to 30 mph and gusts up to 50 mph remains in effect until 8pm tomorrow. Conditions during this time will remain favorable for continued rapid fire spread. All recreation offerings across the Willamette National Forest are currently closed including campgrounds, day use areas, trails, boat ramps and more. Forest Service roads are closed to the public across the Willamette National Forest unless you are vacating the Forest.

Evacuations are managed by local emergency officials. You are encouraged to check with local emergency officials for the latest information on evacuations.

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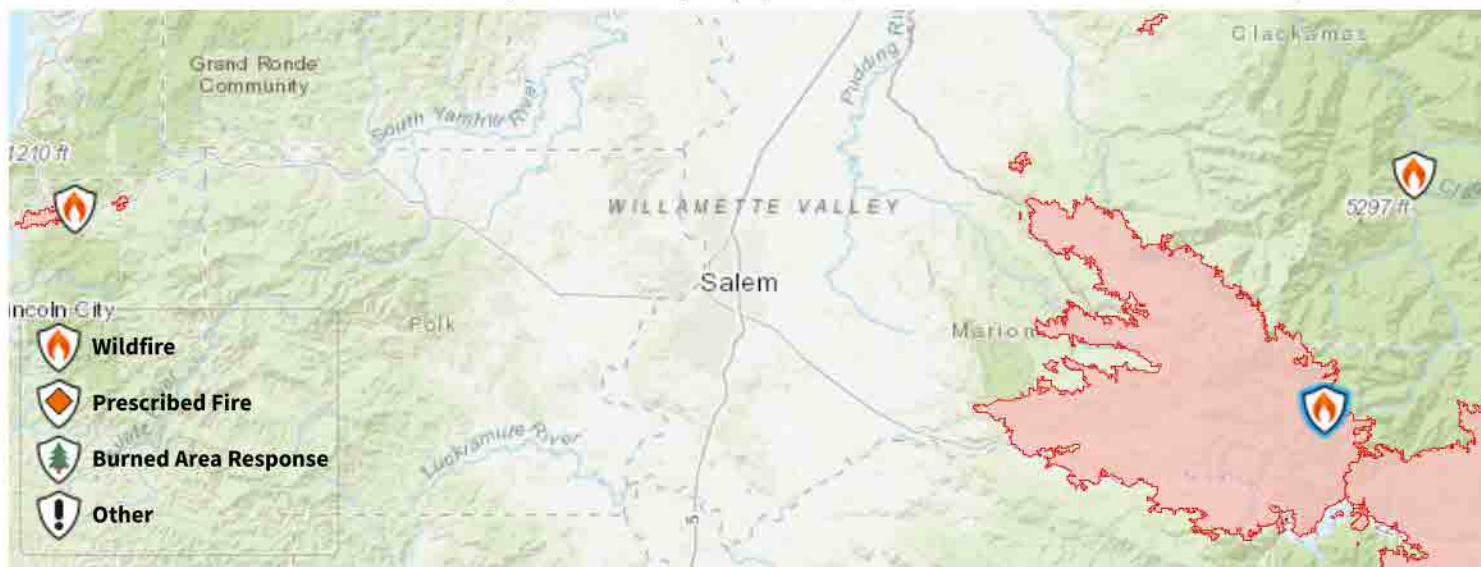
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Additional fire information is available on Inciweb:

Beachie Creek Fire <https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/7001/> (<https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/7001/>)
Lionshead Fire <https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/7049/>

Please call 911 to report any signs of new fires. Follow us on Facebook and Twitter @WillametteNF.
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Beachie Creek Fire (*Incident Name Update) Update Sept. 10 2020

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Les Hallman, Incident Commander, OSFM

Start date: Aug, 16, 2020

Location: Santiam Canyon west of Detroit, OR, Southern Clackamas County

Cause: Unknown

Fire size: 182,000 Acres

Air Assets Assigned: 5

Total personnel: 423

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Fire crews are working in close coordination with ODOT, Oregon State Police and the Marion County Sheriff's Office to create road access, effect rescues and assess the extent of damage. Evacuation notices are being coordinated by the Marion County Sheriff's Office who are working to identify victims and notify next of kin.

Rescue operations have been extensive and wide-ranging. Rescues have varied widely, in some cases individuals were impeded by downed trees and roadway blockages while others escaped the heavy smoke, high heat and flames by moving to local waterways. Individuals found with injuries were transported to local hospitals for further care and assessment.

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Fire is a dynamic situation and a rapidly evolving incident. For better accounting of fire resources assigned, the name has been updated to reflect the original assignment. The name of the fire will be referred to as the Beachie Creek Fire.

WEATHER: Red Flag Warnings have been extended through 8 AM PDT Thursday due to the continuation of dry and windy conditions in these areas tonight. Winds should begin to fall below critical thresholds elsewhere. Dry and possibly unstable conditions are expected today. Onshore flow returns by Friday and continues through the weekend and into next week.

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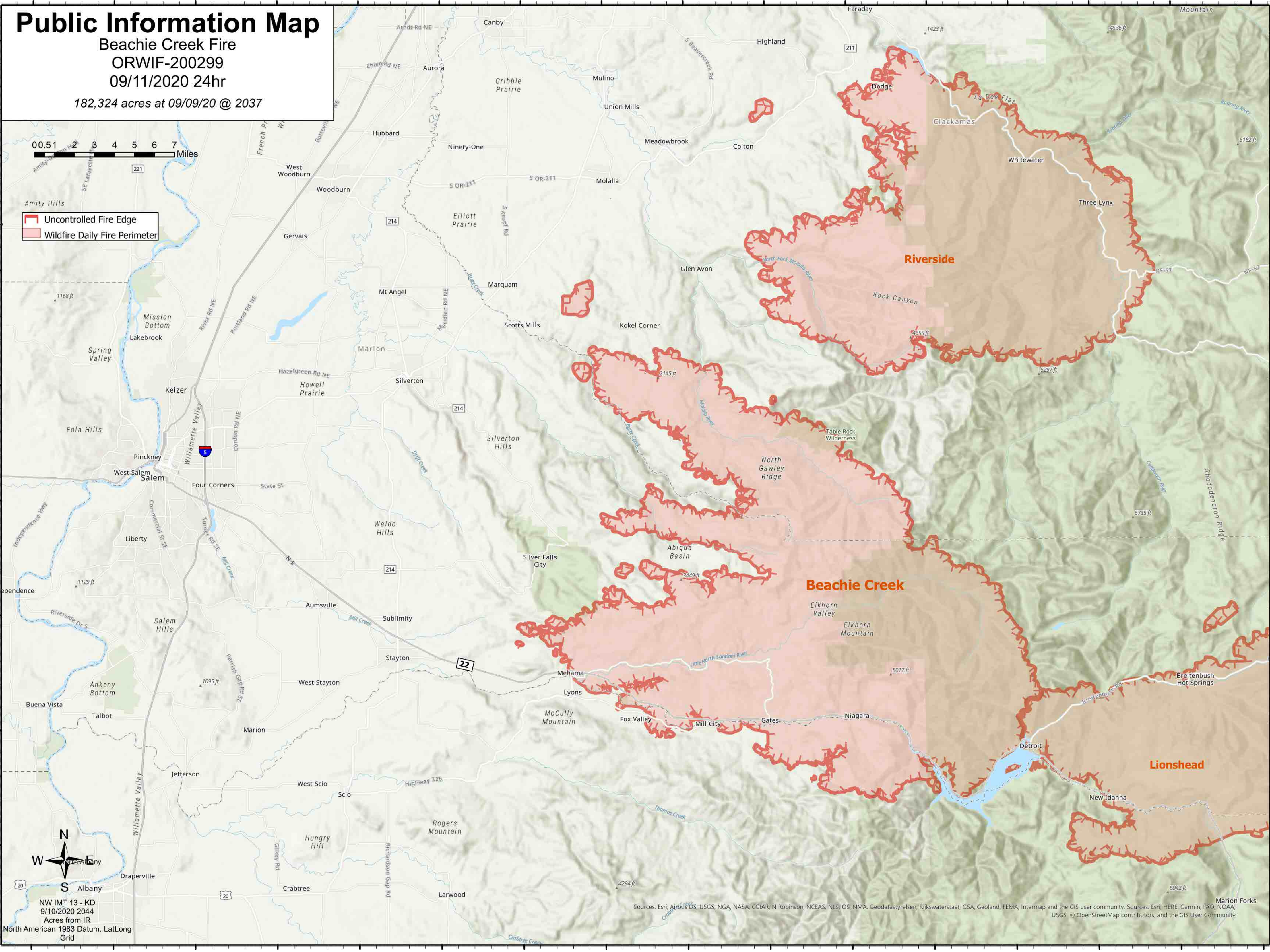
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Beachie Creek Fire
ORWIF-200299
09/11/2020 24hr
182,324 acres at 09/09/20 @ 2037



- Uncontrolled Fire Edge
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9/10/2020 2044
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Sources: Esri, Airbus DS, USGS, NGA, NASA, CGIAR, N Robinson, NCEAS, NLS, OS, NMA, Geodatastyrelsen, Rijkswaterstaat, GSA, Geoland, FEMA, Intermap and the GIS user community, Sources: Esri, HERE, Garmin, FAO, NOAA, USGS, © OpenStreetMap contributors, and the GIS User Community



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ORWIF-200299

09/13/2020 24hr

188,374 acres at 09/11/20 @ 2113

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Uncontrolled Fire Edge
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WEATHER: Valley inversions are likely to persist through the day again. High temperatures Monday will generally be in the upper 60s to low 70s, with forecast minimum relative humidity of 45-55 percent on the west side of the fire. Relative humidity is expected to be much lower, 30-45 percent, on the east side of the fire and at elevations above 2,500 feet. The weather pattern is predicted to change in the next 24 hours, with a chance of rain on the west side of the fire.

SAFETY: Members of the public are encouraged to heed local evacuation orders issued by the county sheriff's office and emergency notification systems. Know the Ready, Set, Go levels and make appropriate preparations. READY your belongings; SET your things at the door or prepack them in your car; GO and leave immediately.

SMOKE: Smoke will continue to be heavy across the area of the Beachie Creek Fire again today. This will lead to "unhealthy" and possibly "hazardous" conditions. Individuals with respiratory issues may find themselves affected by the intense smoke. Areas closest to fires - near Detroit, Florence, and Eugene – will have severe smoke impacts. Smoke levels can change rapidly depending on weather. Check current conditions on DEQ's Air Quality Index or by downloading the free OregonAIR app on your smartphone.

CLOSURES: Willamette National Forest roads, trails, and lands around the fire area are closed. View the official order ([Order 06-18-04-20-13](#)). Bureau of Land Management (BLM) lands in the vicinity of the fire and State lands managed by Oregon Department of Forestry (ODF) including the Santiam State Forest are also closed to the public. Go to InciWeb (link below) for a list and map of closed areas, roads, trails, and recreation sites.

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Brian Gales, Incident Commander, NWIMT13

Les Hallman, Incident Commander, OSFM

Start date: Aug, 16, 2020	Location: Santiam Canyon near Detroit, OR, Marion County	Cause: Unknown
Fire size: 190,911 acres	Air Assets Assigned: 7	Total personnel: 545

Beachie Creek Fire Update for Tuesday, September 15, 2020

Salem, Ore. – The increased acreage in fire size reported today is not due to fire spread over the past 24 hours but because an aerial assessment was completed. This allowed for a more accurate measure and improved mapping of the fire. Firefighters will resume work Tuesday to secure the perimeter of the Beachie Creek Fire. Crews and heavy equipment continue to connect and strengthen existing control line together on the west and northwest portions of the fire. Good progress was made in this area over the last couple days. Firefighters continue to work with landowners on the southeastern perimeter of the fire to build and secure control lines in that area. Firefighters will also continue mopping up and systematically assessing damage to structures inside the fire. Due to these efforts, firefighters have achieved 15% containment.

The Beachie Creek Fire and the Riverside Fire remain about one mile apart. Officials from nearby fires are coordinating strategies to minimize fire growth and stabilize incidents. Extremely dry vegetation and a lack of natural holding features in the Table Rock Wilderness and surrounding areas mean it is still possible the fires could burn together. Based on current weather, it is anticipated that a future merger would not result in dynamic fire behavior as seen last week.

Fire officials are working closely with the Marion County Sheriff's Office, ODOT and the Oregon State Police to coordinate recovery efforts along the Santiam Canyon. Currently 16,776 structures are at Level 3 evacuations and another 18,528 homes in level 2 evacuations. It is imperative to protect first responders and communities in the path of the fire that everyone heeds fire and law enforcement road closures and evacuations. Anyone who enters the fire perimeter jeopardizes firefighting and rescue operations, puts lives at risk, and potentially increases the time it will take to return residents to their communities.

WEATHER: Inversions are likely to persist on the west side of the fire on Tuesday. High temperatures will be in the upper 60s to low 70s, with forecasted minimum relative humidity of 50 - 60 percent on the west side of the fire. Relative humidity is expected to be lower, 30-45 percent, on the east side of the fire and at elevations above 2,500 feet. The weather system forecasted to bring rain on Tuesday stalled and is too far west to add moisture to the fire. A low pressure system is forecasted for later this week with higher chances of rain.

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SMOKE: Smoke will continue to be heavy across the area of the Beachie Creek Fire again today. This will lead to "unhealthy" and possibly "hazardous" conditions. Individuals with respiratory issues may find themselves affected by the intense smoke. Some mid-level cloud movement may allow for slight improvements to air quality mid-day, Tuesday. Smoke levels can change rapidly depending on weather. Check current conditions on DEQ's Air Quality Index or by downloading the free OregonAIR app on your smartphone.

CLOSURES: The entire Willamette National Forest is closed to all recreation including campgrounds, trails, days use areas, and boat ramps. Roads on the forest are closed to the public unless being used to evacuate. Bureau of Land Management (BLM) lands in the vicinity of the fire and State lands managed by Oregon Department of Forestry (ODF) including the Santiam State Forest are also closed to the public. Go to InciWeb (link below) for more information about closures in the area.

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Public Information Map

Beachie Creek Fire

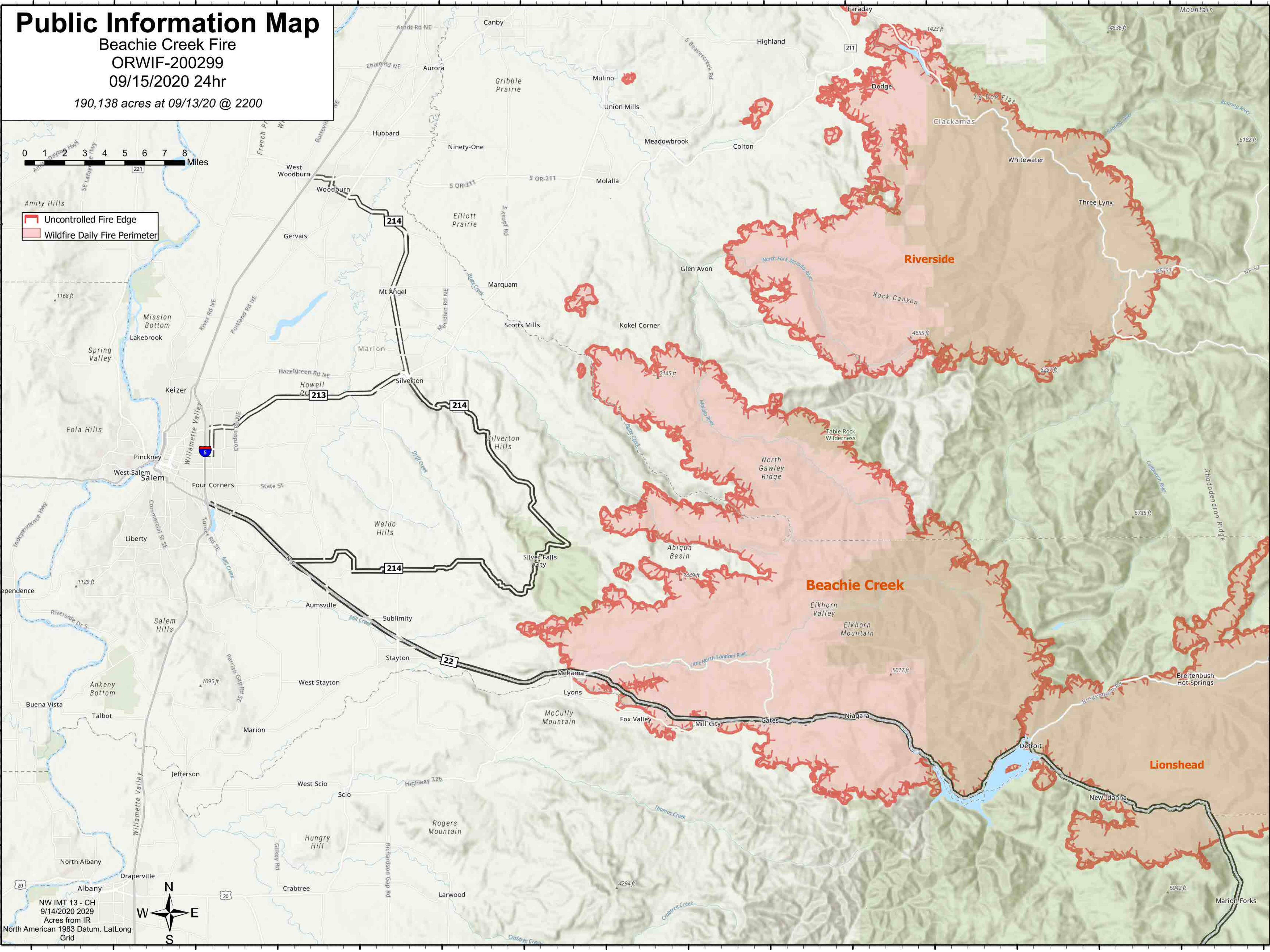
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- Uncontrolled Fire Edge
- Wildfire Daily Fire Perimeter



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North American 1983 Datum. LatLong
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Brian Gales, Incident Commander, NWIMT13

Les Hallman, Incident Commander, OSFM

Start date: Aug, 16, 2020	Location: Santiam Canyon near Detroit, OR, Marion County	Cause: Unknown
Fire size: 191,238 acres	Air Assets Assigned: 7	Total personnel: 530

Beachie Creek Fire Update for Wednesday, September 16, 2020

Salem, Ore. –Firefighters continue to make good progress securing the perimeter of the Beachie Creek Fire. As a result of their efforts, the fire is 20% contained. Following an extensive assessment by crews, fire officials determined that 470 residences, 35 commercial structures, and 783 minor nonresidential structures were destroyed by the fire. Additionally, 46 residences, 5 commercial structures, and 83 minor nonresidential structures were damaged.

Crews and heavy equipment continue to connect and strengthen control line on the west and northwest sides of the fire. Firefighters continue to work with landowners on the southeastern perimeter to secure control lines. The increased acreage in fire size is not due to fire spread over the past 48 hours but because aerial assessments are being completed, providing more accurate measurements and improved mapping. Transfer of command from Northwest Incident Management Team 13 to Southwest Incident Management Team 2 will take place this evening. The teams have been working closely over the last 24 hours to ensure a seamless transition of command.

The Beachie Creek Fire and the Riverside Fire remain about one mile apart. Officials from nearby fires are coordinating strategies to minimize fire growth and stabilize incidents. Extremely dry vegetation and a lack of natural holding features in the Table Rock Wilderness and surrounding areas mean it is still possible the fires could burn together. Based on current weather, it is anticipated that a future merger would not result in dynamic fire behavior as seen last week.

Fire officials are working closely with the Marion County Sheriff's Office, ODOT and the Oregon State Police to coordinate recovery efforts along the Santiam Canyon. Currently 5,845 structures are at Level 3 evacuations and another 3,961 are in level 2 evacuations. It is imperative to protect first responders and communities that everyone heeds fire and law enforcement road closures and evacuations. Anyone who enters the fire perimeter jeopardizes firefighting and rescue operations, puts lives at risk, and potentially increases the time it will take to return residents to their communities.

WEATHER: Wednesday will begin with another fog layer likely to dissipate by mid-day. It is expected to be hotter and drier today with temperatures in the 70s, forecasted minimum relative humidity of 35-50 percent across the fire, and as low as 25 percent on ridges. This could result in an increase in fire behavior. A low pressure system bringing rain to the area is forecasted for Thursday night and Friday.

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SMOKE: Smoke will continue to be heavy across the area of the Beachie Creek Fire again today. This will lead to "unhealthy" and possibly "hazardous" conditions. Individuals with respiratory issues may find themselves affected by the intense smoke. Smoke levels can change rapidly depending on weather. Check current conditions on DEQ's Air Quality Index or by downloading the free OregonAIR app on your smartphone.

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Public Information Map

Beachie Creek Fire

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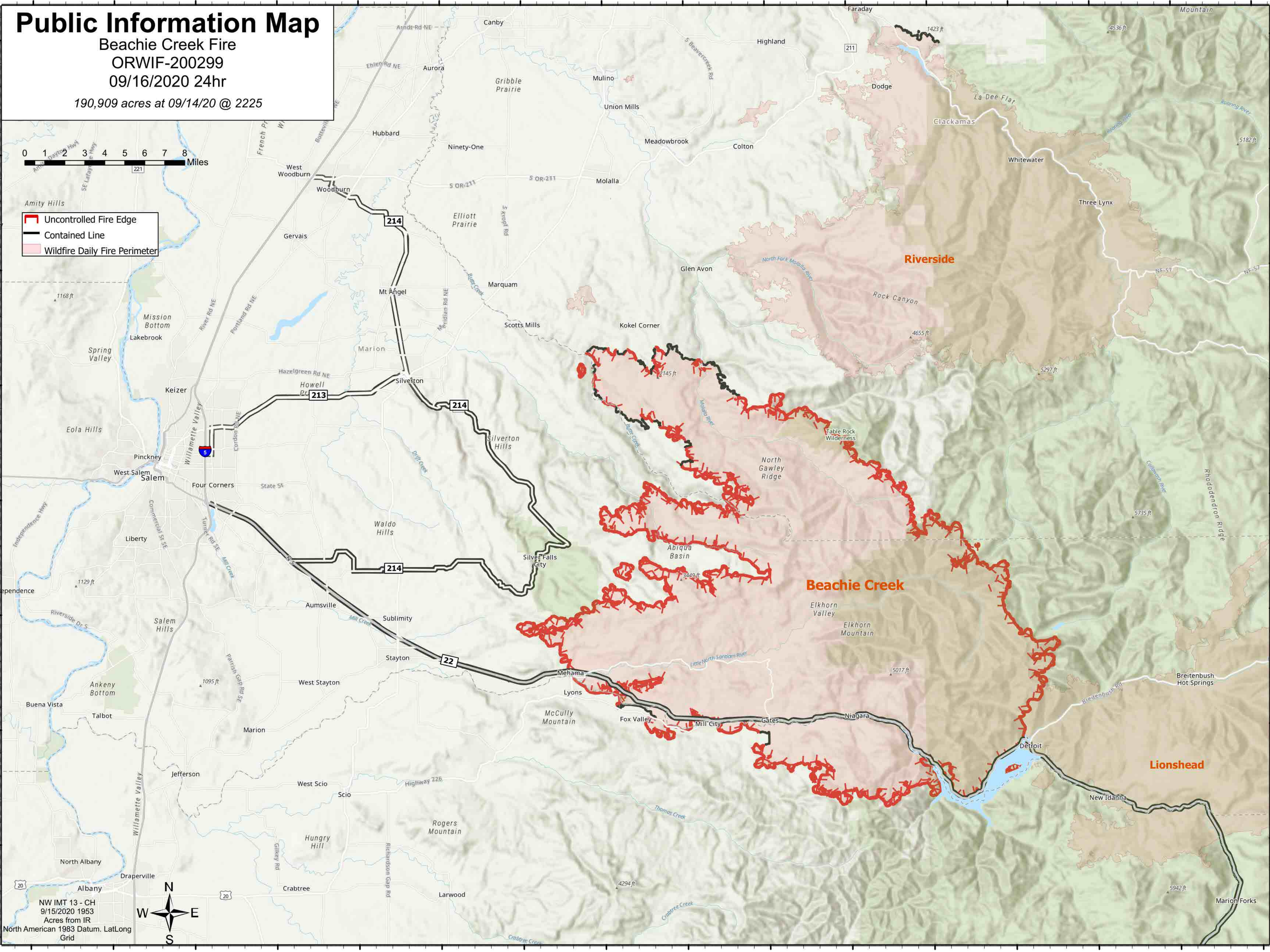
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SOUTHWEST AREA TYPE 1 INCIDENT MANAGEMENT TEAM 2

JOHN PIERSON - INCIDENT COMMANDER



BEACHIE CREEK FIRE UPDATE – September 17, 2020

Acres: 191,661 acres

Start Date: August 16, 2020

Origin Location: Opal Creek Wilderness:

two miles south of Jawbone Flats, six miles north of Detroit, Oregon.

Resources: 571

Percent Containment: 20%

Cause: Under Investigation

Fuels: Timber and logging slash

Beachie Creek Fire under command of Southwest Area Type 1 Incident Management Team No. 2

Team Supports Local Agencies in Assessing Infrastructure

Salem, Ore. – The Southwest Area Type 1 Incident Management Team 2 assumed command at 7:00 PM on September 16, 2020 of the Beachie Creek Fire from Northwest Team 13 Incident Commander, Brian Gales and Oregon State Fire Marshall's Green Team Incident Commander, Les Hallman.

Firefighters and heavy equipment are working in seven divisions that make up the perimeter around the Beachie Creek Fire. The emphasis for Thursday is to protect communities to the south and west of the fire. Firefighters will continue to directly attack the fire around Scotts Mills, Stayton, Lyons, Mill City, and Detroit. Other crews are working to protect timber investments on the north side of the fire near Scotts Mills.

While firefighters continue to build containment and contingency lines, the Incident Command Team is also working to address infrastructure and community needs by assisting power companies, insurance companies, and communication firms. The Team is providing these organizations with information, logistics, and transportation support. This work will lead to allowing residents and community members back into the area.

Fire officials also continue to work closely with the Marion County and Linn County Sheriff's Offices, ODOT and the Oregon State Police to coordinate recovery efforts along the Santiam Canyon. Currently 4,034 structures are at Level 3 evacuations and another 3,801 are in level 2 evacuations. To protect first responders and communities near the fire, it is imperative that everyone heeds road closures and evacuations. Anyone who enters the fire perimeter jeopardizes firefighting and rescue operations, puts lives at risk, and potentially increases the time it will take to return residents to their homes.

The weather will change on Thursday as an unstable weather pattern approaches bringing late afternoon thunderstorms. Before the rain starts, winds will increase, slightly dissipating smoke. As smoke clears, aircraft will be able to fly over the fire. Thursday night, heavier rain is probable over the east half of the fire. Crews will be monitoring the weather and conditions on the fire as increased wind and rainfall can potentially result in falling trees, landslides, and flashfloods.

The Willamette National Forest, Bureau of Land Management, and State lands around the fire remain closed to the public. Go to InciWeb (link below) for more information about closures in the area.

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SOUTHWEST AREA TYPE 1 INCIDENT MANAGEMENT TEAM 2 JOHN PIERSON - INCIDENT COMMANDER



BEACHIE CREEK FIRE UPDATE – September 18, 2020

Acres: 192,012 acres

Start Date: August 16, 2020

Origin Location: Opal Creek Wilderness:

two miles south of Jawbone Flats, six miles north of Detroit, Oregon.

Resources: 592

Percent Containment: 20%

Cause: Under Investigation

Fuels: Timber and logging slash

Rainfall Decreases Intensity of Beachie Creek Fire

Firefighters monitor change in weather, different risks.

Salem, Ore. – The Beachie Creek fire is expected to be less active Friday as precipitation moderates fire behavior. The decrease in fire behavior and intensity today will allow firefighters to continue connecting and strengthening the containment lines around the fire. The emphasis is still protecting communities to the south and west of the fire. Firefighters will continue to directly attack the fire around Scotts Mills, Stayton, Lyons, Mill City, and Detroit. Other crews continue work to protect timber investments on the north side of the fire near Scotts Mills.

While firefighters build containment and contingency lines, they are also monitoring for additional risks from rain such as landslides, flooding, or trees falling.

The Incident Command Team continues to address infrastructure and community needs by assisting power companies, insurance companies, and communication firms. The Team is providing these organizations with information, logistics, and transportation support. This work will lead to allowing residents and community members back into the area.

Fire officials also continue to work closely with the Marion County and Linn County Sheriff's Offices, ODOT and the Oregon State Police to coordinate recovery efforts along the Santiam Canyon. Currently 4,056 structures are at Level 3 evacuations and another 3,499 are in level 2 evacuations. To protect first responders and communities near the fire, it is imperative that everyone heeds road closures and evacuations. Anyone who enters the fire perimeter jeopardizes firefighting and rescue operations, puts lives at risk, and potentially increases the time it will take to return residents to their homes.

The weather pattern change brings showers to the area of the fire. Rain is expected for the early part of Friday before tapering off later in the day. Maximum temperatures today will be around 65 – 70 degrees and minimum relative humidity will be over 70 percent across the fire area. Cooler temperatures with more humidity are expected over the weekend.

The Willamette National Forest, Bureau of Land Management, and State lands around the fire remain closed to the public. Go to InciWeb (link below) for more information about closures in the area.

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SOUTHWEST AREA TYPE 1 INCIDENT MANAGEMENT TEAM 2 JOHN PIERSON - INCIDENT COMMANDER



BEACHIE CREEK FIRE UPDATE – September 19, 2020

Acres: 192,531 acres

Start Date: August 16, 2020

Origin Location: Opal Creek Wilderness:

two miles south of Jawbone Flats, six miles north of Detroit, Oregon.

Resources: 664

Percent Containment: 20%

Cause: Under Investigation

Fuels: Timber and logging slash

Firefighters Make Good Progress with Improved Weather Conditions

Smoke lifts, improving air quality and visibility.

Salem, Ore. – Rainfall over the last 24 hours decreased fire behavior and allowed firefighters to make a lot of progress securing the perimeter of the Beachie Creek Fire. This amount of precipitation does not put the fire out. Smoldering, small flames, and smoke will continue to be observed throughout the fire area. The emphasis for firefighters remains on protecting communities to the south and west of the fire. Firefighters continue to strengthen the lines around Scotts Mills, Stayton, Lyons, Mill City, and Detroit. Other crews continue to put in line to protect timber investments on the north side of the fire near Scotts Mills. Firefighters will continue to monitor the area for hazards related to precipitation.

As smoke lifted, visibility on the fire improved. This will allow firefighters to utilize aircraft and to better assess certain areas of the fire. For the safety of firefighters and so that they can continue with air operations, the public is reminded that “If you fly, we can’t.” There is a temporary flight restriction around the entire area of the fire.

The Incident Command Team continues to address infrastructure and community needs by assisting power companies, insurance companies, and communication firms. The Team is providing these organizations with information, logistics, and transportation support. This work is important for residents and community members returning to the area.

Fire officials also continue to work closely with the Marion County and Linn County Sheriff’s Offices, ODOT and the Oregon State Police to coordinate residents’ return to Santiam Canyon. Currently 1,118 structures are at Level 3 evacuations and another 4,574 are in level 2 evacuations. As more residents are allowed back into the area, it is imperative that everyone heeds road closures and safety messages. Anyone who enters the fire perimeter jeopardizes firefighting operations and puts lives at risk.

Lingering showers are predicted through most of Saturday, ending in the evening. Minimum relative humidity levels will generally be above 60% across the fire area. High temperatures will range from upper 50s to upper 60s. More precipitation is not expected for the next few days, but temperatures will remain cooler and overnight relative humidity will increase which is typical for this time of the year.

The Willamette National Forest, Bureau of Land Management, and State lands around the fire remain closed to the public. Go to InciWeb (link below) for more information about closures in the area.

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Smoke and Air Quality

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Beachie Creek Fire Quick Facts

Start Date: August 16, 2020
Cause: Under Investigation
Incident Commander:
Noel Livingston
Pacific Northwest Team 3

Approx. Size: 192,848 ac.
Containment: 58%
Total Personnel: 513
Origin Location: Opal Creek Wilderness:
two miles south of Jawbone Flats, six miles
north of Detroit, Oregon.

Resources:
12 Crews
28 Engines
2 Dozers
6 Water Tenders
2 Helicopters
1 Masticators

Beachie Creek Fire Update – Tuesday, September 29, 2020 – 9:00 a.m.

Weather and Fire Behavior: Sunny, clear and dry conditions are expected to continue today. Temperatures will be elevated in the upper 70's and lower 80's. Ground fuels such as sticks, leaves and organic materials will dry out as humidity levels drop as low as 15%. Light winds will blow out of the southeast with gusts to 5 mph. Significant growth of the fire is not anticipated but creeping and smoldering fire activity is expected within the fire perimeter. Isolated pockets of smoke may be observed in and adjacent to the burn area. The warming and drying trend will continue for the next several days.

Yesterday: Contingency lines continued to be reinforced adjacent to communities and other critical infrastructure. In the Highway 22 corridor and in the North Fork/Elkhorn area, firefighters patrolled the fire perimeter and responded to small, isolated burning pockets that produced visible smoke near fire lines. In the Abiqua basin, engines and hand crews focused on mop-up operations to seek out remaining ground heat. Heavy equipment worked east of the burn area to strengthen both direct and indirect contingency lines. No significant growth on the Beachie Creek Fire occurred.

Today's Activities: Pacific Northwest Team 3 will begin management of the Beachie Creek fire. Firefighters will resume work to secure the area around structures near the south end of the fire perimeter and the Highway 22 corridor/Elkhorn area. Mop up efforts will also continue in the Abiqua basin. Engines will be used to patrol and mop up areas of heat adjacent to private property and structures. Heavy equipment will be operating along fire impacted roads. An important focus will be on hazard tree mitigation to allow firefighters to work safely. The winds may cause smoke to drift into western Oregon from large wildfires in northern California. No significant fire growth on the Beachie Creek fire is anticipated.

Despite recent rains and cooler temperatures, fire season and regulated-use closure are still in effect for lands protected by the Oregon Department of Forestry in Clackamas, Marion, and Linn counties. Backyard burning is prohibited during fire season; other restrictions for outdoor activities can be found at <https://gisapps.odf.oregon.gov/firerestrictions/PFR.html>.

Evacuations: Current evacuation information for Clackamas County is available at www.clackamas.us/wildfires, twitter.com/ClackCoSheriff or by calling 503-655-8224. Current evacuation information for Marion County is available at <https://www.co.marion.or.us/Alerts?AlertId=83> or by calling 503-588-5032. Current evacuation information for Linn County is available at https://www.linnsheriff.org/fire_live_updates_sept_2020/ or by calling 541-812-2260.

Smoke info: Oregon Smoke Blog: oregonsmoke.blogspot.com

Willamette Valley Smoke outlook: <https://wildlandfiresmoke.net/outlooks/>

Closures: Willamette National Forest: https://www.fs.usda.gov/Internet/FSE_DOCUMENTS/fseprd811298.pdf

Bureau of Land Management: www.blm.gov/sites/blm.gov/files/orwa-fpo-nwo-092220.pdf

State managed lands: <https://www.oregon.gov/odf/Fire/Pages/default.aspx>

ADDITIONAL FIRE INFORMATION:

Fire Information: 541-583-0526

Road Closures on TripCheck: www.tripcheck.com/

Inciweb: inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/7174/

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/BeachieCreekFire2020>



Riverside & Beachie Creek Fires Update – Thursday October 1, 2020

Riverside Fire Quick Facts

Approx. Size: 138,029 ac.

Containment: 37%

Total Personnel: 459

Start Date: Sept. 8, 2020

Cause: Human



Beachie Creek Fire Quick Facts

Approx. Size: 192,848 ac.

Containment: 59%

Total Personnel: 480

Start Date: August 16, 2020

Cause: Under Investigation



Weather and Fire Behavior: Unseasonably warm and dry weather is expected to continue throughout the day. Temperatures could be 2-4 degrees higher than yesterday with light winds coming from the southwest. Stable weather conditions have trapped some of the smoke from California in the valleys and it is likely for smoke to become more visible throughout the day. Fire behavior will continue to be minimal with smoldering.

Riverside Fire: Firefighters continued to monitor and patrol the fire perimeter and directly engage where heat is encountered near the fireline. There were no 9-1-1 calls reported for the north and eastern sides of the fire yesterday. Helicopters responded to smoke reports in the Ripplebrook area. Suppression repair work continues with assessment of future suppression repair needs.

Efforts will continue along the perimeter of the fire checking for heat and mopping-up around residential areas. On the western perimeter, firefighters are connecting dozer line with handline. Fire intensity along the southern edge has been significantly reduced.

Beachie Creek Fire: Mop up operations have yielded success in securing the area around structures in the Highway 22 corridor and in the North Fork/Elkhorn area. Contingency lines were strengthened and patrolled along the entire southern edge of the fire. In the Abiqua basin, heavy equipment continued to operate along fire impacted roads clearing vegetation and removing hazards. Firefighters responded to 9-1-1 calls reporting smoke within the fire perimeter. Engines and hand crews worked together to seek out and eliminate remaining ground heat within the fire perimeter.

Patrol, monitor, and mop-up operations will continue today. Suppression repair in the Mollala area is ongoing and firefighters are coordinating with Resource Advisors on future suppression repair needs.

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Smoke info: Oregon Smoke Blog: oregonsmoke.blogspot.com

Closures: Mt. Hood National Forest <https://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/mthood/news-events/?cid=FSEPRD811247>

Willamette National Forest <https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/willamette/alerts-notice/?aid=61574>

Willamette Valley Smoke outlook: <https://wildlandfiresmoke.net/outlooks/>

Bureau of Land Management www.blm.gov/sites/blm.gov/files/orwa-fpo-nwo-092220.pdf

Road Closures on TripCheck: www.tripcheck.com/

Santiam State Forest is closed

Hunting Season: Various fall hunting seasons are beginning across western Oregon. Most notably, general rifle season for Black-tailed deer begins Saturday October 3rd. Hunters are reminded to “know before you go” and to check Forest Service websites for closure information and Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) webpages for hunting specific regulations. Despite recent rains and cooler temperatures, fire season and regulated-use closure are still in effect for lands protected by the Oregon Department of Forestry in Clackamas, Marion, and Linn counties. Backyard burning is prohibited during fire season; other restrictions for outdoor activities can be found at <https://gisapps.odf.oregon.gov/firerestrictions/PFR.html>.

Riverside Fire Public Information:

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www.facebook.com/RiversideFireInfo

E-mail: 2020.beachiecreek@firenet.gov

Phone: 541-583-0526, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Beachie Creek Fire Public Information:

Facebook:

www.facebook.com/BeachieCreekFire2020

Email: 2020.Riverside@firenet.gov

Phone: 509-228-7805, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.



Riverside & Beachie Creek Fires Update – Friday October 2, 2020

Riverside Fire Quick Facts

Approx. Size: 138,070 ac.
Containment: 45%
Total Personnel: 445
Start Date: Sept. 8, 2020
Cause: Human



Beachie Creek Fire Quick Facts

Approx. Size: 192,848 ac.
Containment: 59%
Total Personnel: 421
Start Date: August 16, 2020
Cause: Under Investigation



Weather and Fire Behavior: Smoke from California along with stagnant air are causing the foggy and hazy conditions and more smoke visible at lower elevations. Marine air is producing some fog, but it is expected to clear as the day progresses. Temperatures are likely to remain around the high 70's to low 80's. Fire behavior will likely be minimal and consist of smoldering and some creeping.

Riverside Fire: Firefighters continued checking for heat and mopping-up around residential areas. Suppression repair work is ongoing as future repair needs are being assessed. Aerial bucket water drops were done around the Ripplebrook area and there were no 9-1-1 calls reporting smoke or hot spots. There has been a significant reduction in fire activity, but efforts will still stay focused on checking for heat and connecting dozer lines with handlines. Crews are identifying areas to be mopped-up and suppression repair work needing to be completed.

Beachie Creek Fire: On the southern perimeter, firefighters are working from east to west with hand held infrared devices to detect and extinguish areas of heat. Suppression repair work continued with the help of Resource Advisors. Firefighters responded to 9-1-1 calls reporting smoke within the fire perimeter, but the number of calls were down from the previous day. Additional efforts on the fire included road grading work and cold trailing. Cold trailing is physically walking and feeling by hand the edge of the fire area where active fire stopped and checking that smoldering is entirely cold and out. Firefighters will continue patrol, monitor, and mop-up operations in areas of need. Suppression repair in the Molalla area is ongoing. Where excavators cannot be utilized, crews will stabilize slopes and spread vegetation by hand.

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Smoke info: Oregon Smoke Blog: oregonsmoke.blogspot.com

Closures: The Willamette National Forest lifted restrictions on campfires. Personal firewood cutting may resume, but chainsaw use is not allowed from 1 p.m. to 8 p.m., and must be followed by a one-hour fire watch after equipment is shutdown. The Sept. 25 closure order is still in effect. A list of recreation areas within the fire zone that remain closed can be found at <https://go.usa.gov/xGpeV>

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Willamette National Forest <https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/willamette/alerts-notice/?aid=61574>

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Bureau of Land Management www.blm.gov/sites/blm.gov/files/orwa-fpo-nwo-092220.pdf

Road Closures on TripCheck: www.tripcheck.com/

Santiam State Forest is closed

Riverside Fire Public Information:

Facebook: www.facebook.com/RiversideFireInfo

E-mail: 2020.beachiecreek@firenet.gov

Phone: 541-583-0526, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Beachie Creek Fire Public Information:

Facebook: www.facebook.com/BeachieCreekFire2020

Email: 2020.Riverside@firenet.gov

Phone: 509-228-7805, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.



Riverside & Beachie Creek Fires Update – Saturday October 3, 2020

Riverside Fire Quick Facts

Approx. Size: 138,085 ac.
Containment: 54%
Total Personnel: 440
Start Date: Sept. 8, 2020
Cause: Unknown



Beachie Creek Fire Quick Facts

Approx. Size: 192,882 ac.
Containment: 59%
Total Personnel: 395
Start Date: August 16, 2020
Cause: Under Investigation



Weather and Fire Behavior: Stable weather conditions will start to weaken and onshore flows are increasing. There will be some low cloud cover with areas of fog, but it should burn off by the afternoon. Temperatures will be about 2-4 degrees cooler and will be in the mid to high 70's. Winds will stay light but could pick up around the ridgelines. Fire behavior is stable and expected to remain the same.

Riverside Fire: Chipping operations are finishing up in the northeast. Secondary containment lines that are ready for repair are being identified. Firefighters continue cold trailing and mopping up as needed. Cold trailing is physically walking and feeling by hand at the edge of the fire area where active fire stopped and checking that smoldering embers and debris are entirely cold and out. Not a lot of actively burning fire is being reported.

Beachie Creek Fire: Handheld infrared work is ongoing from Lyons towards Gates. Firefighters expect to complete that effort soon. 9-1-1 calls continue to decrease, and suppression repair is being done around homes. Firefighters are working with residents and are mopping up as needed around structures. Suppression repair along highway 22 is continuing with the use of heavy equipment.

Evacuations: Currently there are no evacuations in Clackamas County. Current evacuation information for Marion County is available at <https://www.co.marion.or.us/Alerts?AlertId=83> or by calling 503-588-5032. Current evacuation information for Linn County is available at https://www.linnsheriff.org/fire_live_updates_sept_2020/ or by calling 541-812-2260.

Smoke info: Oregon Smoke Blog: oregonsmoke.blogspot.com

Closures: The Willamette National Forest lifted restrictions on campfires. The Sept. 25 closure order is still in effect, a list of recreation areas within the fire zone that remain closed can be found at <https://go.usa.gov/xGpeV>

Mt. Hood National Forest <https://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/mthood/news-events/?cid=FSEPRD811247>

Willamette National Forest <https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/willamette/alerts-notice/?aid=61574>

Willamette Valley Smoke outlook: <https://wildlandfiresmoke.net/outlooks/>

Bureau of Land Management <https://www.blm.gov/programs/public-safety-and-fire/fire-and-aviation/regional-info/oregon-washington/fire-restrictions>.

Road Closures on TripCheck: www.tripcheck.com/

Santiam State Forest is closed

Riverside Fire Public Information:

Facebook: www.facebook.com/RiversideFireInfo

E-mail: 2020.Riverside@firenet.gov

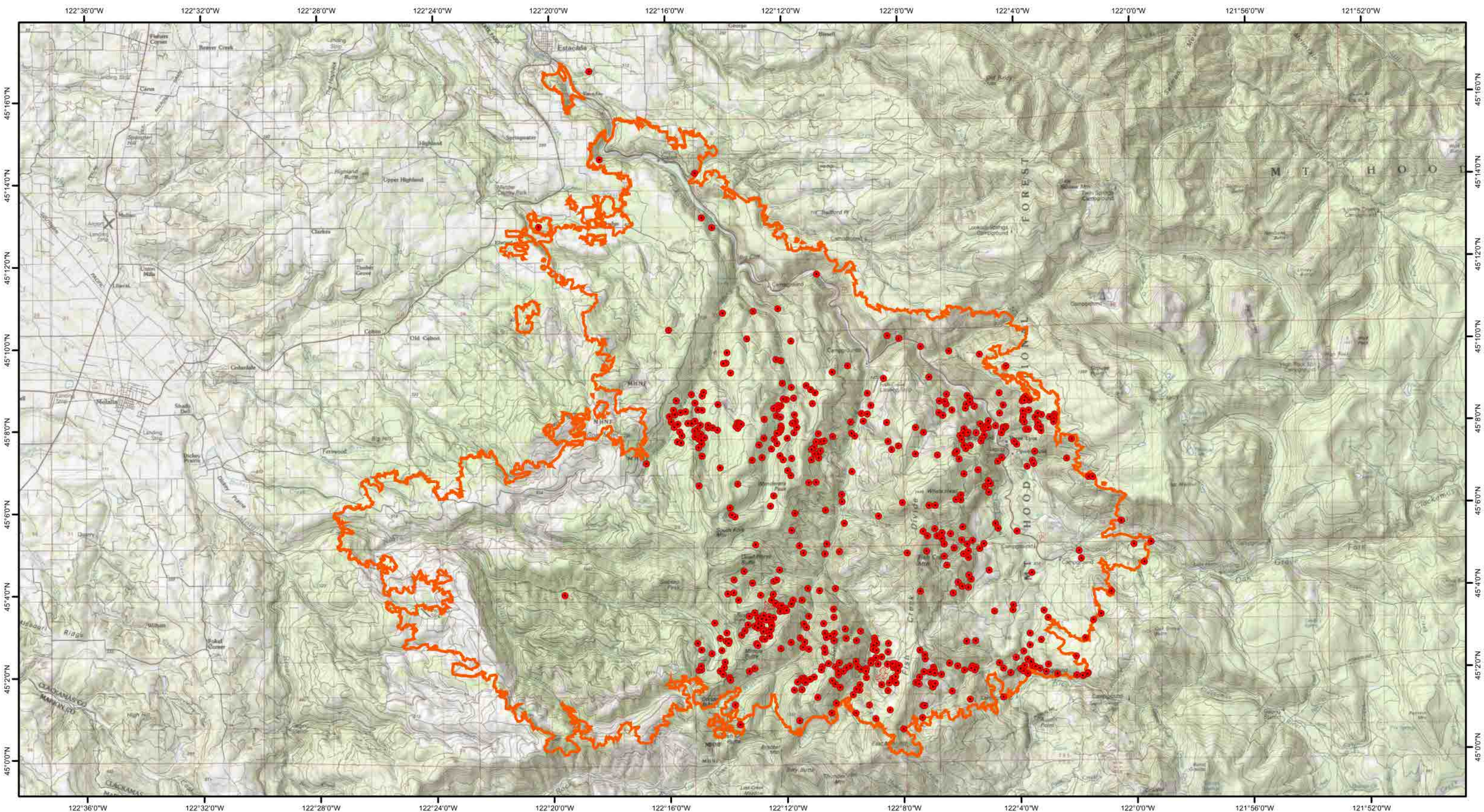
Phone: 509-228-7805, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Beachie Creek Fire Public Information:

Facebook: www.facebook.com/BeachieCreekFire2020

Email: 2020.BeachieCreek@firenet.gov

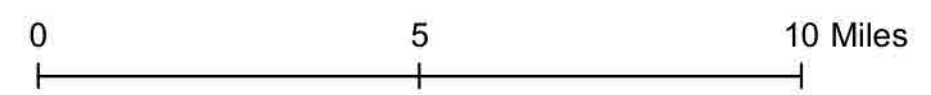
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RIVERSIDE
OR-MHF-00859

Imagery Date:
10/04/2020 2153 MDT

- Isolated Heat
- Heat Perimeter
- Scattered Heat



Datum: North American 1983



IRIN: Jorge Enriquez
Map produced:
10/05/2020 0200 PDT
Interpreted size: 138,004 acres





Riverside & Beachie Creek Fires Update – Sunday October 4, 2020

Riverside Fire Quick Facts

Approx. Size: 138,085 ac.
Containment: 54%
Total Personnel: 445
Start Date: Sept. 8, 2020
Cause: Human



Beachie Creek Fire Quick Facts

Approx. Size: 193,282 ac.
Containment: 59%
Total Personnel: 181
Start Date: August 16, 2020
Cause: Under Investigation



Weather and Fire Behavior: High pressure will temporarily weaken, leading to increasing onshore flow, slightly cooler temperatures and higher humidity in the valley. Winds are expected to increase slightly along the ridgetops and humidity levels remain low at higher elevations. Wind gusts of up to 15 mph are predicted this afternoon. Smoke could be more visible if interior unburned fuels are ignited. Fire behavior is expected to remain much the same as days prior, exhibiting creeping and smoldering behavior.

Riverside Fire: Handheld infrared work will begin on the northwest side of the fire with a focus around structures. Firefighters are continuing to assist with extinguishing smokes reported through 9-1-1 calls. Chipping operations are finishing up in the northeast. Suppression repair work is occurring on secondary contingency lines. Firefighters will continue to patrol firelines, cold trail and mopping up as needed.

Beachie Creek Fire: Fire activity increased slightly inside the fire perimeter as the area experienced low humidity for a short duration yesterday afternoon. This activity was quickly addressed with the use of helicopters for aerial water drops. Helicopters dropped over 100,000 gallons of water on the fire yesterday. On the west side of the fire, firefighters will continue to patrol, mop up and monitor the fire. Along Highway 22 suppression repair work is ongoing utilizing heavy equipment and handcrews. This fire has shown an increase in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

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Riverside Fire Public Information:

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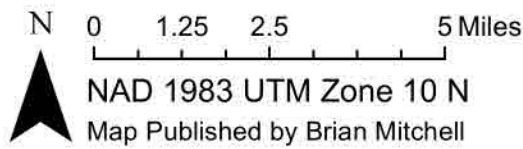
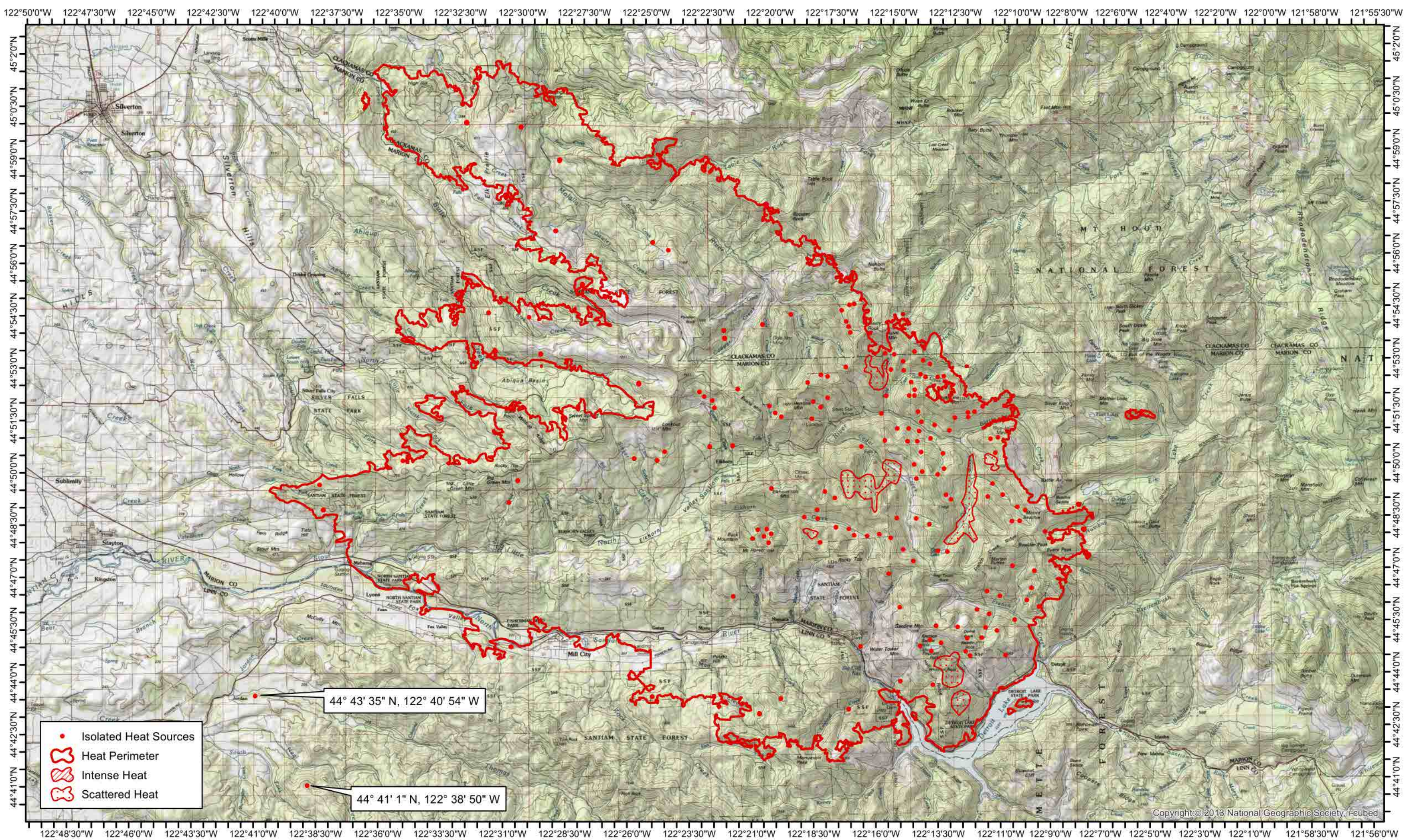
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Email: 2020.BeachieCreek@firenet.gov

Phone: 541-583-0526, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.



Beachie Creek
OR-WIF-200299

Phoenix Sensor Heat Detection
October 4, 2020 at 2053 Hours PDT
193,376 Acres (geodesic)





Riverside & Beachie Creek Fires Update – Monday October 5, 2020

Riverside Fire Quick Facts

Approx. Size: 138,085 ac.

Containment: 57%

Total Personnel: 252

Start Date: Sept. 8, 2020

Cause: Human



Beachie Creek Fire Quick Facts

Approx. Size: 193,253 ac.

Containment: 59%

Total Personnel: 174

Start Date: August 16, 2020

Cause: Under Investigation



Weather and Fire Behavior: An upper level ridge will rebuild offshore bringing warmer temperatures and lower relative humidity. Local winds in the fire area should be terrain driven but could gust up to 15 miles per hour on western portions of the fire. With the warmer and drier weather there could be a slight increase in fire behavior.

Riverside Fire: Firefighters responded to two 911 reports of smoke yesterday on the north end of the fire. Handheld infrared work showed minimal heat sources along the fireline yesterday, but crews will continue working along the northern portion of the fire to identify and extinguish heat sources. Good progress is being made with suppression repair work and will continue along contingency lines. Repair efforts include pulling back berms, installing water bars and clearing roadside ditches and culverts.

Beachie Creek Fire: Firefighters responded to three reports of smoke by 911 dispatchers along Highway 22 yesterday. Fire behavior picked up slightly in the Dead Horse Mountain area emitting smoke that was visible from Detroit. Most portions of the fire are reporting minimal smoke and hot spots. Firefighters will continue to monitor the fire by patrolling fireline and mopping up any heat found along the edge and responding as needed with aerial support as weather and visibility permit. Suppression repair work will continue utilizing heavy equipment and handcrews.

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E-mail: 2020.Riverside@firenet.gov

Phone: 509-228-7805, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Beachie Creek Fire Public Information:

Facebook: www.facebook.com/BeachieCreekFire2020

Email: 2020.BeachieCreek@firenet.gov

Phone: 541-583-0526, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.



Riverside & Beachie Creek Fires Update – Tuesday October 6, 2020

Riverside Fire Quick Facts

Approx. Size: 138,004 ac.
Containment: 57%
Total Personnel: 269
Start Date: Sept. 8, 2020
Cause: Human



Beachie Creek Fire Quick Facts

Approx. Size: 193,376 ac.
Containment: 59%
Total Personnel: 147
Start Date: August 16, 2020
Cause: Under Investigation



Canadian Firefighters will return today in an international effort to help extinguish both the Riverside and Beachie Creek fires.

Weather and Fire Behavior: The high-pressure system remains over western Oregon resulting in the warm temperatures and low relative humidity. Local winds in the fire area should remain terrain driven but could gust up to 15 miles per hour on western portions of the fire. With the warm and dry weather there could be a slight increase in fire behavior in unsheltered areas and on south facing slopes.

Riverside Fire: Firefighters responded to one 911 report of smoke yesterday on the north end of the fire. Handheld infrared work continued yesterday and found no heat signatures. Crews will continue south, searching for heat along the western flank of the fire. Reconnaissance flights found smoke along the fireline on the southwest portion of the fire. It was still inside containment lines and was quickly extinguished utilizing engine crews. Good progress continues to be made with suppression repair work and will continue along contingency lines.

Beachie Creek Fire: Firefighters are reporting less fire behavior around two thirds of the fire's edge. Most of the fire activity is on the eastern side. Firefighters will continue working with home owners along Highway 22, they responded to one 911 report yesterday. Suppression repair work will continue today on the south edge of the fire. Heavy equipment will continue repairing dozer line while crews work to repair handline. Helicopters remain actively engaged, flying water and doing reconnaissance missions.

Evacuations: There are no evacuations in Clackamas County. Current evacuation information for Marion County is available at www.co.marion.or.us/Alerts?AlertId=83 or by calling 503-588-5032. Evacuation information for Linn County is available at www.linnsheriff.org/fire_live_updates_sept_2020/ or by calling 541-812-2260.

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Santiam State Forest is closed

Burned Area Emergency Response: <https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/7222/>

Riverside Fire Public Information:

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E-mail: 2020.Riverside@firenet.gov

Phone: 509-228-7805, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Beachie Creek Fire Public Information:

Facebook: www.facebook.com/BeachieCreekFire2020

Email: 2020.BeachieCreek@firenet.gov

Phone: 541-583-0526, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.



Riverside & Beachie Creek Fires Update – Wednesday October 7, 2020

Riverside Fire Quick Facts

Approx. Size: 138,004 ac.

Containment: 57%

Total Personnel: 326

Start Date: Sept. 8, 2020

Cause: Human



Beachie Creek Fire Quick Facts

Approx. Size: 193,453 ac.

Containment: 62%

Total Personnel: 194

Start Date: August 16, 2020

Cause: Under Investigation



Northwest Type 2 Team 8 is shadowing with Pacific Northwest Type 1 Team 3 today, sharing information to ensure a smooth transfer of command this evening for the Riverside and Beachie Creek Fires.

Weather and Fire Behavior: Today temperatures will decrease about five degrees and relative humidity will increase around 10 percent. The change in weather will also bring a slight decrease in fire behavior throughout the week.

Riverside Fire: Firefighters responded to two 911 calls for smoke yesterday on the north end of the fire. Crews with handheld infrared will continue working south along the western flank of the fire looking for heat sources near the fireline. Reconnaissance flights continue to report limited smokes near the fire perimeter. Heavy equipment and crews continue clearing debris from roadside ditches and culverts and repairing damage to roads.

Beachie Creek Fire: Helicopters are delivering water drops and completing reconnaissance missions. Most of the fire activity is reported on the eastern perimeter around Dead Horse Mountain near Bull of the Woods Wilderness. Firefighters will continue to work with private landowners to extinguish heat detected along Highway 22. 911 dispatchers received four reports of smokes around structures that firefighters were able to extinguish quickly. Suppression repair work is ongoing around most of the fire edge with heavy equipment repairing dozer line and hand crews continuing on handline.

Evacuations: There are no evacuations in Clackamas County. Current evacuation information for Marion County is available at www.co.marion.or.us/Alerts?AlertId=83 or by calling 503-588-5032. Evacuation information for Linn County is available at www.linnsheriff.org/fire_live_updates_sept_2020/ or by calling 541-812-2260.

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Road Closures on TripCheck: www.tripcheck.com/

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Burned Area Emergency Response: The BAER program is designed to address emergency stabilization issues related to wildland fire. The program is utilized by all federal land management agencies. BAER teams are in place for both the Riverside and Beachie Creek fires.

More information can be found at <https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/7222/>

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Beachie Creek
ORWIF-200299

193,253 acres as of 10/3 at 1100

Riverside
ORMHF-00859
10/03/20

138,054 acres as of 10/3 at 2010

Map is current as of 10/04/2020.
Will be updated if significant activity occurs.

-  State Highway
-  Uncontrolled Fire Edge
-  Contained Line
-  Wildfire Daily Fire Perimeter



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